THE MYSORE REPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLY OF 1910.

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GENERAL SUBJECTS.

LEGISLATION.

(Nos. 1 to 23.)

SUBJECT No. 1.

Power of interpellation in the Legislative Council.

Mr. Ramanujaiengar, Gubbi Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—It is necessary to grant the members of the Legislative Council the right of interpellation. This will serve as an efficient check on the actions of some public servants and will also secure to the public timely information on all matters of public importance. The subject was mooted last year and early orders are solicited in the matter.

Mr. Venkatakrishnaiya added that, by granting the right of interpellation to the non-official members of the Legislative Council, the similar right vested in the members of the Representative Assembly would not be interfered with, and that consequently both the bodies may be allowed the privilege of interpellation.

Reply of Government.—Recorded.

SUBJECT No. 2.

Election of members to the Legislative Council.

(*a*) Mr. H. Surasastri, Chikballapur Taluk.
(*b*) Mr. A. Narasimha Iyengar, Sagar Taluk.
(*c*) Mr. C. Srinivasa Rao, Chikmagalur Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—(*a*) The power of veto retained by the Government with regard to the election of members from the Representative Assembly to the Legislative Council is anomalous and should be dispensed with.

(*b*) A member may be allowed to be elected to the Legislative Council to represent the malnad districts of Kadur and Shimoga.

(*c*) One member may be elected to the Legislative Council from among the members of the Representative Assembly for the Nagar Division comprising the districts of Shimoga, Kadur and Chitaldrug.

(*a*) Mr. H. Surasastri added that non-official elected Representatives in the Council were very few—being only one or two—and that to restrict the field of choice in this manner would be a reflection on the Assembly itself. The members of the Assembly, who are men of respectability, might be trusted to elect only persons qualified by character and ability to represent them.